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**Extracts From Diary** 

By ALMA WOODWARD.

T E have a man what kums

haisnt got enny uv his own to do it

The uther nite he told pa that he

puniched us he wood sumtimes sneek in

and kiss us good nite, and this bald old

nozenbowm sed that wuz the eezies

way to spoyle children. And pa sed

Yuh no Ive been ontwo pa fer a long

time. They say that old gag abowt it

herting fathurs more than it herts the

thure always holds me a littul longer

uv times he kums back and pats my

hed like he kant do enuff to make it up

And I feel so sory fer him in my

throte that it getz to hert there moar

than the place he nuniched and I make

up my mind I wont nevver be bad agen

and kause all that trobul. But whenn

the time kums I get bad befoar I kno

Ennyway my mutherr sed to mrs bell

that I wazint a visshus child. She sed

I wuz misscheevus but not visshus. I

don't kno what visshus meens but it

sownds feerce. Its funny how muthers

and fathurs stik up fer yuh even whenn

yer such a littul devvul. I gess enny-

how the best thing a boy kan do is

The old doctur kum arowned yestur-

day and seen us. My muther gets ner-

vus sumtimes bee-kauze thare aint

ennything the matter with us and she

thinks maybe sumthing is goin' to

sneek up on us. so she sends for him,

And gee, he has the hardist time

finding sumthin the matter with me.

He has to xamin me all ovur and pownd

me ta snips befoar he kan dig up enny

ends up on my long suferun tung. Furst

he shuves the handul uv a spoon way

sez my tung is koted and I need

down intwo my wind-pipe and thenn he

I kud bring in the same verdik thout

goin' throo all that torchoor. And then

aftir he is gone ma tellfones to the

drug store fer the tonik and they hav-

int got it and whenn pa kums hoam fer

dinner she ree-minds him to get the

tonik dountown termorrer and he all-

a littul dee-bait. That is the way it

happens every yeer. I dont think dok-

My appetite wained today. They hed

stoo for dinner and when-evur we have

stoo my appetite wains. I don't kno

what there is abowt stoo that atracks

unnessary dish and very neerly re-

Pa sed to-nite that he is goin to insti-

toot a new rool. He sed the rool is

whenn my apatite wains fer stoo it has

gotto kontinu to wain fer dezert. And

ennywon understandin' littul boys will

Sis is lozin her teeth and I dont think

it is fare to give her as much lowance

fer not fergettin' to wash em as thay

this teeth-washin' stunt ennyway bec-

cauze lots uv times I ferget and

breethe in insted oy owt and all the

like to choke to deth.
Pa has a parshul plate. It has go

pa is awful touchy abowt it and keeps

ree-minding peepul it is ownly PAR-SHUL. I dont see what hez kikkin' abowt. Its a sinch to wash it and yuh

I will end with a joke what I stung pa on to-nite. Frum forse up habit he wuz jus goin' to kall me down but he

sed the tree to the bruk Ill fall akross

And pa didn't have nuthing on bee-cauze it wuzint kussin.

se it move ownly whenn you

bruk to the tree Ill be damd if

teeth on it and it is ree-movabul,

nder his musstash

sed the

tooth pouder flys down my throat and

reelize that is sum rool!

turs is much good.

lated to soop!

kind up stik around his parunts-ther

pritty good palz to have.

he didn't think so.

spoyled us teribul bee-cauze aftur h

ower howse and he is a regle

butinskee he is old frend uf

my fathurs and he thinks

CANT

YOU WATT HER

OLD MAN, WHILE

I GO UP AND

NOW NOTICE

THE SPOT!

WHERE MY BALL

LANDS AND REMEMBER

SHOOT

MAKE MY

DRIVE !

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#### AS TO BEING A LIVE COWARD.

Ex-Gen. Felix Diaz is 'enounced by his former associates in the criminal conspiracy that calls itself a "government" at Mexico City, as a coward for seeking United States protection. General Diaz may be guilty of cowardice; but, if he chose, he might plad, in extenuation of his course, a peculiarly intimate knowledge of the methods by which the Huerta cabal puts undesirable people out of the way. General Diaz is suspected of special familiarity with the execution of the ley fuga formula for legalizing assassination. It takes a very brave man to contemplate with satisfaction the prospect of being stood up against a wall and shot full of holes; especially if he has been at any time a partner in this pleasant manufacture of human sieves. A live coward has various advantages over a dead hero.

#### THAT LANE RESOLUTION.

Senator Lane of Oregon introduced a resolution wanting to know what is being done about universal transfers on Washington street cars. The resolution done with all practicable expedition.

asked immediate consideration, got it, and PASSED HIS RESOLUTION WITHOUT A DISSENTING VOTE OR A MINUTE'S DISCUSSION.

Five years ago the business of a Congress in it throes of dissolution could have been tied in a hard knot with that resolution. Its passage would have been as impossible and the appropriations might have gone hang rather than that so impertinent and indecent a question should have been asked. The world do move.

#### GLYNN ON MARTIN VAN BUREN.

Governor Glynn says that as chief executive of governor's favor to note that he has the right estigreat governors of New York.

terrific panic settle down upon the country within a dreds of millions of money invested here. a few weeks after he went into office. He didn't cause it, and he did handle it with a vigor, an understanding, a courage, and a statesmanly grasp such survey is needed. The obvious things will keep a as have seldom been demonstrated in such a crisis. couple of Administrations up to their eyes in work. He was defeated for re-election, and superficial read- A survey means a lot of delay, an academic discusers of superficial histories have tabbed him as one the Presidency. He was nothing of the sort.

## THE MORASS OF MEXICO.

In theory, Mexico has universal manhood suffrage. That would bring two or three million votes to the polls if they voted. In fact, in the only election worthy the name that was ever held, something like 100,000 votes were cast. That was when Francisco Madero was chosen.

Perhaps 80,000 votes were cast vesterday. Count out of that total the number put in by the army and the officiary, and it would appear that practically nobody took the trouble to vote. Mexico City was rather more demonstrative than usual on its Sunday holiday; but its demonstration took the form of exaggerated interest in the bullfights. It seems to that is plainly at hand? be a fact that almost nobody in Mexico knows what voting is all about. There is good Mexican authority for the statement that probably half the men eligible to vote-the Indians in remote districts, and others

Mexico, in short, is not a community. It is a large place with some people spattered about it. but the same question, and a bigger phase of it, has Those in one place know nothing of those in another. Superimposed upon this mass of native Indian population, is the little minority of Spanish origin and tion of authorities. Recently a Washington jobber Wednesdays of the month. the other foreign elements; most of them grafters told The Times that he had shipped goods to Alexanand exploiters. Their relation to Mexico today is dria on the local rate, and there reshipped them on about as intimate and disinterested as it was when another local rate to Virginia points; the sum of the their progenitor, Cortez, deposed the Montezumas. But Cortez had horses and firearms, which terrified ington. natives; the exploiting class today has some railroads, telegraph lines, education, and possession. is it? These are the means of domination and exploitation Cortez.

It is a fearful social morass. Down at its bottom mental intelligence down to it is the Mexican prob- andria. lem. We know that Diaz built his superstructure without bothering t- lay a foundation, and so it crum- country. Express rates lately ordered into effect bled. Madero saw the need of going about it the by the Interstate Commission concededly represent other way, and was doing his best when he was assas. a logical and, broadly, a fair adjustment of charges sinated. Has Mexico a man or a group capable of to services. But some of the States have Stateaccomplishing that in which Madero failed? If Mex- made express rates that are lower than these interico has not, is there any process by which, in the state rates. Harmony, with so many conflicting au- building always to be at the top of the name of humanity and in the sincere purpose of thorities, is plainly impossible. serving the people of Mexico and making Mexico a Every year's effort at regulating transportation such control can be created from the outside?

plishing it in India. Touch with the outside merce.

world accomplished it in Japan, and is accomplishing it in China. But in all these cases the superimposed minority found a highly developed civilization to deal with, and made the most of it. In Mexico the invaders destroyed every vestige they could find of the antecedent civilization. They killed the civilization, but not the people. Their own numbers never grew to such proportions that they could crowd out the aborigines. So there seems to have been reached a deadlock.

North of the Rio Grande the invasion of Euroeans found the Indian population much less numerous and less tenacious of its lands. Our own forbears, instead of superimposing themselves on forbears, instead of superimposing themselves on the aboriginal population, elbowed and fought it out If you should happen to come beside ME, of the way; brought firearms and fire-water to help in the operation, and the Indian was simply displaced: in effect, submerged and, as a real factor When that there aren't any seats to b in the community equation, extinguished. That has not been done in Mexico. The country has never been attractive enough to immigrants to make such an inhuman solution possible. Perhaps Mexico's problem will at last be solved in something like that fashion. It would be pleasanter to believe that a more civilized procedure might suffice.

#### MAKING A "SURVEY OF" WASHINGTON.

This newspaper yields to none in the ardor of its ambition to make a model city of Washington; but Not even having to dash off a pome it has some misgivings about the necessity for a "survey" by which to determine just what is the matter and how to fix it up. We gather that the survey is going to discuss the limitations of power placed on the Commissioners. The Corporation Counsel can answer that. It is going to find out wasn't necessary, for everything possible is being whether the Congress committees are really intelligent about the needs of the District. Whether a But the Senator did a service none the less. He phrenologist or an alienist is to be hired to make this determination we don't know, but in either case we suspect some difficulties when a high-brow surveyor's crew undertakes to measure the heads and put the x-ray on the brains of the Congressmen and Senators who, on the whole, try their best to do the right thing for the town. Again, suppose the surveyors find that the District committees are too lowbrowed; what assurance have we that a more illuminated bunch can be drafted in their places?

If there is eagerness to make a city of Washington that can be a model for all the other cities of the country, it may as well be pointed out at the start that the thing can't be done. Washington is sui New York he will make Martin Van Buren and Samuel generis. It has its problems and conditions quite dis-J. Tilden his models. It predisposes one in the new tinct from those of other cities. It has a different sort of population, a different sort of business, a dif- Impressions of Some Plays and Players mate of Van Buren. Some day Van Buren will be ferent way of earning its living, a different attitude given the recognition he deserves, as one of the great toward civic questions. The Federal Government is Presidents, as he had previously been one of the and is bound to continue in some way a partner in the business of running Washington. It ought to. It Van Buren suffered the misfortune of having a put Washington on the map, and it has some hun-

There are so many perfectly obvious things to be done for Washington that it is hard to see why a sion of entirely practical questions, and probably of the mere politicians who burrowed their way to series of hoots from Congress when its resultant lucubrations are turned in. If the surveyors were going to have power to give us universal transfers immediately, and then 60-cent gas, and electric current at reasonable prices, and to eliminate the slums, and build model tenements, and complete the park system, and so on-if it could do these things for us where entereth the columnist, who, without either waiting on Congress for money or having a Thanksgiving column to asfussing with injunctions and mandamuses and ap- semble, needs must do it sans the peals in the courts, we would think a survey about daily quota of mailed space-fillers? the nicest little proposition ever suggested. But it can't: the surveyors will not convince the traction magnates of the reasonableness of public ownership, or the gas monopoly of the desirability of cheaper thing you have published. gas. It will in nowise accelerate the process of getting things through the courts.

Why not just forget it, and go to work on the job

## A WASHINGTON RATE PROBLEM.

The Interstate and the State Commerce Commisnot at all remote-do not know they are entitled to sioners, in their annual convention, are trying to ers tell me something about how to fry vote, and would not understand what it meant if figure out a way to reconcile State and interstate an egg, and keep the yolk exactly in rates so as to make a complete and harmonious system. They are talking primarily about express rates; to do with general freight charges.

Washington suffers by reason of this contradic- ladium only on the second and fourth two locals was less than the through rate from Wash-

This is expensive and illogical business. Why five extra minutes to find one's mail.

Because Virginia's corporation commission has esprecisely as were the horses and blunderbuses of tablished State rates that are lower than the inter- are "strong on change." "One can't state rates. The commission cannot make rates from get even a dollar cracked," he adds. Washington to Virginia points because those would be there must be something on which to lay the founda- interstate; but it can make them from Alexandria to tions of a community. To find that bedrock and to other Virginia points. So Washington is cut out of get the concrete of fundamental institutions and ele- opportunity to do business on an equality with Alex-

There are thousands of like cases all over the

benefit instead of a menace to the rest of the world, practice develops new problems of this kind, whose solution lies in the establishment of a single control The superimposed minority, when it is a Saxon-covering interstate and State business alike. State Teuton minority, seems to have the faculty of ac- lines are unknown to commerce; they should be uncomplishing such tasks. The British are accom- known to the mechanical instrumentalities of com-

#### TO A LADY.

(At least the fourth time.) Lady, what time you come into a car, Gazing about you in quest of a seat-Gazing to notice what victims there

Tread, if you must on

Please do not sit on the edge of my

Happy to do so, indeed, and most glad (That is a line I should italicize). Lady, I'm not so all-firingly wide; This the proceeding that getteth my

goat: When, as you slip into place at my side, You sit kerplunk on the edge of my

Here at the office, away or at home,

Ruffles my easy-like tranquillity. Jekyll am I; if you'd rouse not the Hyde, Hark to these lines that I hitherto

When, I repeat, you take place at

Here are four lines I get perfectly free; All I need do is gaze upward and quote: If you should

Please do not sit on the edge of

Seven hundred and forty-six people were admitted to St. Elizabeth's during the late well-known fiscal year. John D. Rockefeller, Andrew Carnegie and others who lay down success rules will

Delegates to the dry farming con gress at Tulsa, Okla., read papers on "Co-operation Between Bank and Farmer" and "National Farmers' Credit and Loan Associations." So now you know why they call it a dry farming

please respond to the toast.

O. C.

In still another respect, points out Limo, the Hitt-Eikins nuptials batted .350. They "proved a surprise to their

#### WHY COLUMN CONDUC

TORS EAT DYNAMITE. From the revised proof of this pillar

of yesterday.) It's legitimate paragraft.

eventually appeared.) It's legitimate paragraph.

The District letter carriers want holiday on Thanksgiving. It will be a fine thing for the letter carriers. But

## You're Sure About That?

G. S. K.: I enclose a contribution for your column, which is better than any

Coincidence, we claim, is undoubtedly the answer, but it is a fact that the contributions enclosed by people who write that they are enclosing them, seldom, if ever, get by,

## Our Culinary Department.

G. S. K.: Will one of your lady read-

Flower show paragraphs, be it known, of the transparency of "'Mum's the word!" hereafter will appear in this pal-

## Public Nuisances

VIII.

The man who crowds newspaper mail boxes with Department of Agriculture reports, necessitating the lavishment of so much attenshun. To me it is a most

statement that the local car companies

#### FAMILIAR PHRASES. XXXIV. Familiar phrases

Head from paper of June 97, 2008 "Huerta Denies Resignation Rumor." The car companies, we understand, refer to them as ruiniversal transfers.

## Nary a Statch.

G. S. K. Do you know of any statute that compels the car in a one-elevator shaft when I enter that building?

M. M. M.

The Senate committee is divided six and six on the two plans for currency reform, a condition paralleled by the majority of the public.

with the other.



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BE DONE

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Copyright 1913, by The Press Publishing Co. A WOMAN-HATER'S EPIGRAM THAT COST A MILLION LIVES NUMBER 4.

REDERICK THE GREAT of Prussia, cynic and inveterate womanhater, chanced to be in an especially ill humor one day in the middle of the eighteenth century. And he took occasion to make a slighting remark about a very beautiful and very powerful woman-in fact the most inluential woman at the moment in Europe.

The Prussian woman-hater's idle speech led to rather important results, among which were the loss of about a million lives, the future founding of the kids thereselves aint troo. But it is German and British empires, and the changing of America's whole career. A troo. I ken tell it bee-cauze my fa- good harvest to spring from the Prussian King's surly epigram:

"France is ruled by Louis XV, and Louis XV is ruled by a worthless woman." The "worthless thinks he has hert me. And thenn lots of the term "worthless," as applied to such a person as herself, was gross flattery. But somehow she did not choose to regard it so.

## An Insult To Mme. Pompadour.

Mme de Pompadour was a women of the French middle classes, who had nanaged by a series of clever ruses to attract the notice of the dissolute King Louis XV. And within a short time she acquired a boundless influence over him. She had a genius for mischief and a craze for politics. Combining these two qualities, she did much more than her humble share toward wrecking the already tottering monarchy of France.

In spite of Mme, de Pompadour's mecdling and the King's follies and the wholesale corruption in high places, France was by far the greatest country on earth. Not only was it almost supreme in Europe, but it had a strong foothold in India, and was master of the greater part of North America. No nation before or since has held in its grasp such wonderful opportunities. A golden future of empire seemed to stretch before the French with the swift development of their Hindu and American possessions. It remained for Frederick the Great to ruin, by the speaking of one sentence, that whole future, France and Prussia were allies. Together they had invaded Austria, Prus

sia was then a little State, whose chief claim to prominence in the swarm of similar little German States, which made up what is the present German Empire, was the genius of her King. And both Prussia and Frederick himself had profited vastly by the alliance with mighty France when Austria had ought to absorb to itself the "balance of power" in Germany.

Now Mme. de Pompadour, in a flaming rage at Frederick's insult, used every atom of her strange power over Louis to persuade him to break the Franco-Prussian alliance. She succeeded. Urged on by her, the French King broke with Frederick and allied himself with Austria against France Saxony and Russia, following Louis' example, joined the anti-Prussian alli-

ice. For a time it looked as though Prussia was going to be wiped out of kind uy a sikness. And he always existence. But England, through hatred of France, formed an alliance with Prussia. And the famous Seven Years' War was on. It lasted from 1756 to 1763. Nearly all of Europe was drawn into the squabble.

France began by capturing Minorca and thrashing an English fleet. Then the tide of war shifted against the French. Frederick, after varying victories and defeats, came out of the comlict much stronger than he had entered it, having lifted Prussia from a minor state to one of the great powers of Europe and blocking Austria's chance of dominating the rest of the German states. The first step was made toward a united Germany.

#### The Wreck of a Mighty Power. Frederick was decidedly the gainer in the results of his sneer at Mme. de

ways fergets it and then they get intwo Pompadour. But France lost infinitely more than Frederick gained. India, left unprotected by the French, fell prey to the British, who have sever since loosened their hold on it. English troops and colonial militiamen tore Canada free from France's grip. Louis lacking the foresight, the money and the men for its proper defense. England thus took over France's former supremacy in the New World and in the Far East. When peace was at last declared France was impoverished, stripped of its

richest colonies and deprived of her former boundless prestige among European powers. Frederick the Great, whose ill-natured words had led to the war, thus "England has gained 6,000 miles of territory, and humanity has lost a mil-

## Hits From Sharp Wits.

bought Manhattan Island from the un- the Great White Way.-Topeka State sophisticated Indians for a string of Journal give me beecauze she aint got as beads, has put in a claim for the entire menny to kover. Im not krazy abowt property, but it is not believed that the Astors will give it to him.

> The man who loses his head is person who can't be helped by ad vertising. The Comptroller of the Treasury, has

ng decided that a man's home is when his wife lives, a lot of gentlemen will b Boston Transcript.

Man wants but little here seldom gets more than half of that.-Philadelphia Inquirer.

With more fatalities on New Yor one recent month than ever before, perhaps, "Stop, look, listen!" signs at each street intersection would be of service.—Milwaukee Daily News.

New York's aquarium ha sa twenty

A descendant of old Peter Minuit, who | can do better than that by searching It is reported that Harry Thaw has

entered upon the study of the law. He has had opportunity to see that it's paying profession, in favorable cir stances.-Albany Journal An ounce of hair, even if it is red,

s worth a pound of bald head

The man who uses a bushel to hide his light should carry a sack in which to conceal his faults.—Macon Telegraph. Many an automobile is a mortgage on wheels.-Pittsburgh Journal.

A youthful swain climbed a 120-foo water pipe to hold converse with his sweetheart and was promptly arrested. One's higher ambitions are not suspicion, it seems.-Milwaukee Senti

Miladi says if you want to start something tell a woman she is talking too much.—Memphis Commercial Appeal,

## **Good Stories**

Cause For Anger.

DONE!

WANT

YOU TO KEEP

MY BALL FOR

ME AS I CAN'T

SEE VERY FAR

I'LL WATCH

T FOR YOU!

YOUR FEYE ON

NOW! KEEP AN EYE

WHERE IT LANDS

GLUED TO THE SPOT

R. WILKINS was near the ex ploding point when his neighbor met him on the street. "That man- Tompkins," burst out, "has more nerve than any

"Why?" asked his neighbor, curiously.
"He came over to my house last evening and borrowed my gun to kill a dog
that kept him awake nights."
"Well, what of that?"
"Why," shouted Mr. Wilkins, "It was
my dog he killed!"—Ladies' Home Jour-

## What Could He Do?

HE teacher was reading the history of England to some of the little pupils. When she came to the statement that Henry I ever laughed after the death of his son she noticed one of the little girls ous of attracting her attention.
"Well, Amy," said teacher, "what is

"Please, ma'am," said little Amy, "what did rienry I. do when he was tickled?"—Harper's Bazar.

## Natural Query.

ISS MUFFITT had recently joined the "Band of Sisters for Befriending Burglars," and was being shown over & rison for the first time.

or the first time.

One prisoner, evidently a man of education, interested her more than the others. He ruse and bowed to her when she entered his cell, apologizing for the poorness of his apartment.

Miss Muffitt could not help wondering how this refined man came within the clutches of the law. In fact, as she was leaving his cell she said:

"May I ask why you are in this distressing place."

ressing place?"
"Madame," he replied, "I am here for obbery at a seaside hotel!"
"How very interesting!" said Miss Muffitt. "Were you—er—the proprietor?"-Answers.

#### What's on the Program in Washington Today

Meetings, evening: Masonic-East Gate Lodge, No. 34; Co-lumbia Chapter, No. 1, Royal Arch; Cathedral Chapter, No. 14, Order of he Eastern Star.
O. T. M.-Mount Lodge, No. 5, and nion, No. 22; Friendship Temple, No. 9. Pythian Sisters.

odd Fellows-Eastern Lodge, No. 7; Harmony, No. 9; Federal City, No. 20, and Friendship, No. 12. Red Men-Osceola Tribe, No. 19, Tenley-town; Seltese Tribe, No. 16, 304 H street southeast. Knights of Pythias-Mt. Vernon, No. 5,

and Union, No. 22; Friendship Tem-ple, No. 9, Pythian Sisters. hirteenth annual chrysanthemum show by the Government, Government's gardens, Fourteenth and B streets northwest, 9 a. m. Monthly meeting, Gaelic Society of Washington, the New Willard, blue

Washington, the room, 8 p. m.

Address by James Edgerton, president of National New Thought Alliance, Thought rooms, Washington New Thought rooms, Washin Loan and Trust building, evening Song recital by Mrs. Blanch Muir Dal-gleish, assisted by Mrs. May Ransdell, National Library for the Blind, 1729

H street northwest, 8 p. m. Seventeenth annual convention of the of Washington, the Church of the Epiphany, 10 a. m.

Orchestral concert by United States Sol-diers' Home Band, Stanley Hall, 3:30 p. m. Annual meeting, Credit Men's Association, rooms of Chamber of Co Benefit performance of "From the Man-ger to the Cross," at Gonzaga Hall,

evening.

decting of laundrymen's section of Re-tail Merchants' Association, rooms of Chamber of Commerce, 8 p. m. Amusements. National-"The Poor Little Rich Girt."

2:15 and 8:15 p. m. Sothern and Marlow, 2 and 2

p. m.
Columbia—"Young Wisdom," 8:15 p. m.
Poll's—"Captain Jinks of the Horse Marines," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
Keith's—Vaudeville, 2:15 nad 8:15 p. m.
Cosmos—Vaudeville, continuous.
Academy—"The Round Up," 8:15 p. m.
Gayety—Burlesque, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.